# Broadband Funding Guide

**Appalachian Regional Commission**

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<th>Federal Agency</th>
<th>Appalachian Regional Commission</th>
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<td><strong>Agency Overview</strong></td>
<td>The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) is a regional economic development agency that represents a partnership of federal, state, and local government. Established by an act of Congress in 1965, ARC is composed of the governors of the 13 Appalachian states and a federal co-chair, who is appointed by the president. Local participation is provided through multi-county local development districts.</td>
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<td><strong>Program Name</strong></td>
<td>Special Broadband Allocation (KY, TN, WV)</td>
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<td><strong>Program Website</strong></td>
<td><a href="https://www.arc.gov">https://www.arc.gov</a></td>
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<td>ARC is expanding outreach and technical support associated with the $20 million special allocation to help improve rural broadband access in distressed coal-impacted communities in Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia and the 13-state Appalachian Region.</td>
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| **Program Purpose**     | Planning (e.g., feasibility)  
☑ Broadband Infrastructure (e.g., construction)  
☑ Broadband Adoption  
☑ Digital Skills Training  
☑ Public Computer Access  
☐ Smart Cities  
☐ Evaluation  
☐ Research  
☐ Broadband Financing  
☐ Other: ______________________ |
| **Eligible Recipients** | Libraries  
☑ K-12 Schools  
☑ Higher Education Institutions  
☑ Hospitals  
☐ Public Safety Entities  
☑ State and Local Governments  
☑ Tribal Entities  
☐ Commercial/Internet Service Providers  
☑ Non-Profit Organizations  
☐ Small Businesses  
☐ Rural Recipients  
☑ Electric Utilities/Co-ops  
☐ Financial Institutions  
☐ Other: ______________________ |
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For questions on specific topic areas, please refer to the contacts listed on the [ARC Offices and Staff](#) page. |
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